certified by the said person or persons, to the council of safety or executive power.

That the commissioned officers receive the pay and rations established by the congress from the date of their commissions, and that the non-commissioned officers receive their pay and rations from their appointment, and until their appointment, to receive their pay and rations as privates from the time of their enlistment.

That the recruiting serjeants shall be allowed twenty shillings common money for every man that shall be certified in the muster roll as effective; and shall also be allowed fifteen pence per day common money, in lieu of rations, for each effective man that he shall enlist, and shall pass as aforesaid.

Mr. Earle brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to prepare instructions for recruiting serjearnts, which was read, considered, and agreed to as follows:

Instructions for enlisting men for the service of the United States of America, agreeable to the resolve of the convention of the state of Maryland.

- 1. You are not to enlist any man who is not able bodied, healthy and active. Hearty robust young men, who are connected by birth or family to the American states, are to be preferred.
- 2. You will have great regard to moral character, sobriety in particular.
- 3. You are not to enlist any imported servant or apprentice without the leave of the master or mistress.
- 4. You will use all diligence in enlisting men, and when you have enlisted ten men, you are to report to some one or more of the persons appointed in your county to inspect the men you do enlist, who will reject such as do not answer to your instructions.
- 5. You shall be allowed twenty shillings common money for every man you enlist, who shall be passed on inspection as effective, in lieu of pay and expenses, besides fifteen pence common money per day, in lieu of rations, for every man who shall be so passed, until they are received from you by order of this state.

On motion of Mr. Earle, the following resolution was made:

Whereas, the time limited by this convention for the receipts and inspection of tobacco is nearly expired: Resolved, That the resolution of this convention of the 6th of September last, relative to the inspection of tobacco, shall continue in force, and the inspectors shall continue to exercise all the powers thereby given, until the general assembly of this state shall otherwise provide.

Mr. Gustavus Scott and Mr. George Scott have leave of absence on account of particular private business. Mr. Gibson, Mr. Earle, and Mr. D. Smith, have leave of absence on account of sickness.